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Dated 29th October 1947

[Despatch Abstract.]

Co-operative societies - Madras handloom weavers Provincial Co-operative Societies - Re-organisation - Papers recorded.

This file deals with the proposals for the decentr lisation of the business of the Madras Handloom Weavers' Provincial Co-operative Society by the establishment of regional branches. The Provincial Society was brought into existence in the year 1935 with the help of the subsidy sanctioned by the Government of India for the develo ment of the handloom industry. The objects with which the Provincial Society was formed were to co-ordinate the activities of the primary weavers societies to procure the yarn and other materials required by them, to arrange for the marketing of their finished goods, and to develop the handloom industry on co-operative basis. The establishment of the Provincial Society gave a great impetus to the expansion of the primaries which began to make steady progress since then. There were only 43 primary weavers societies when the Provincial Society was started The number of primaries ~~xx~~ as on 31-5-47 is 673 having under their control about 84,000 looms.

2. In November 1946, the general Secretary of the Provincial Handloom Weavers Congress represented that the Provincial Society should be bifurcated into two, one for the Tamil area and another for the Andhra area. The Registrar of Co-operative Societies, who was consulted on the ~~xx~~ suggestion, considered that there ought not to be any splitting up of the Provincial Society but that there was a case for the decentralisation of its business by the establishment of regional branches with substantially autonomous powers. Hon.' Minister (Local Administration) ordered that the suggestion regarding the bifurcation of the society should be placed before the general Body of the Provincial Society and its decision obtained. The Registrar of Co-operative Societies reported that the suggestion was brought before the body of the society but that the general body did not accept the suggestion and resolved in favour of decentralisation by establishing ~~xx~~ 5 or 6 regional branches. In pursuance of the above decision the Registrar of Co-operative Societies has now submitted detailed proposals for the establishment of regional branches and for the amendment of the bylaws of the Provincial Society in order to give effect to the proposals. The need for the establishment of the regiona branches is explained in detail in paras 2-5 of the Registrar's letter on pp.27-28 c.f. It is proposed tentatively to establish 4 or 5 regional branches by grouping the districts as shown in para 6 on p.29 c.f. The allocation of functions as between the regional branches and the Provincial Society after decentralisatio is detailed in paras 7-11 on p.30 c.f. The Registrar considers it necessary that a departmental officershould be placed in charge of each branch in the initial stages and propose to suggest to the Provincial Society to take departmental officers on foreign service terms to be in charge of these branches. He has submitted a copy of the draft amendments adopted by the Provincial society to enable it to set up regional branches, and requests permission to register the amendments. For orders whethe the proposals for the decentralisation of the business of the Handloom Weavers Provincial Society may be approved and the ~~Regional~~ Registrar of Co-operative Societies may be permitted to register the amendments.

3. For the reasons stated in his Demi-official on pp.25-26 c.f. the Registrar requests that Government may permit him to ask the Provincial society to take one or two Deputy Registrars on foreign service terms in case the proposals for decentralisation are not agreed.

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In case it is proposed to accept the proposals in para 2 above no action is called for on the aboverequest.

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19-7-47

Ask present R.C.S. to offer his own remarks at an early date on the amendments.

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21-7-47 - S, Dev.

A draft D.O. to the R.C.S. is submitted for approval.

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21-7-47

/Issued as D.O.No.90398-N/46-6, dated 23-7-47./
/From the R.C.S. D.O.No.5317/47-K, dated 25-9-47/

Notes from p.9 above and the D.O. from the R.C.S. at pp.53-57 c.f. may be-perused. The present Registrar of Co-operative Societies is not in favour of decentralisation of the business of the Handloom Weavers' Provincial Society. He has stated that his line of re-organisation is to abandon decentralisation of the Society and improve efficiency and of providing the centre by creating new departmental head office and providing additional field-staff to improve marketing. He has also stated that the future of the Society depends on the sound marketing system which it can build at present and which is the only business that will probably stand it in good stead when control over yarn and cloth and yarn is withdrawn. In order to improve the marketing organisation of the Society, the Registrar recently recommended the loan of the services of three Deputy Registrars of Co-operative Societies. Orders sanctioning the loan of services of two Deputy Registrars to the Society have been issued in G.O. No.4941 Development, dated 20th October 1947. The question of sanctioning the loan of services of another Deputy Registrar to the Society is separately under consideration. In the circumstances, no further action is necessary in this file. For orders whether the papers may be recorded.

Yes.

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28-10-47.

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